

HOUSE BILL 876

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By: **Delegate Weir**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2010

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Natural Resources – Deer Hunting Licenses and Permits –**
3 **Crossbow**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from requiring a
5 person who holds a certain license or permit to hunt deer with a bow and arrow
6 during bow season to obtain a separate license or permit to hunt deer with a
7 crossbow during bow season; and generally relating to deer hunting in the
8 State.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Natural Resources
11 Section 10–301(g)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Natural Resources**

17 10–301.

18 (g) (1) There shall be the following types of hunting licenses in the State:

19 (i) A resident hunting license that enables the purchaser to
20 hunt all legal game birds and mammals during any appropriate season in Maryland
21 without the purchase of additional stamps, unless the purchaser is hunting migratory
22 game birds or deer during bow and arrow season or black powder season. To hunt
23 migratory game birds the purchaser must also buy a Maryland migratory game bird
24 stamp and to hunt wild waterfowl the purchaser must buy both a Maryland migratory
25 game bird stamp and a federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp. To

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 hunt deer during bow and arrow season and black powder season the purchaser must
2 also purchase a bow and arrow or black powder stamp.

3 (ii) A nonresident hunting license that enables the purchaser to
4 hunt all legal game birds and mammals during any appropriate season without the
5 purchase of additional stamps unless the purchaser is hunting migratory game birds
6 or deer during bow and arrow season or black powder season. This license enables the
7 purchaser to hunt migratory game birds only with the purchase of a Maryland
8 migratory game bird stamp and to hunt wild waterfowl only with the purchase of both
9 a Maryland migratory game bird stamp and a federal migratory bird hunting and
10 conservation stamp. This license enables the purchaser to hunt deer during bow and
11 arrow season and black powder season only with the purchase of a nonresident bow
12 and arrow or black powder stamp.

13 (iii) A nonresident 3-day hunting license that enables the
14 purchaser to hunt all legal game birds and mammals except deer and turkey for the 3
15 consecutive legal hunting days in a single season that are specified on the license by
16 the issuing agent. The purchaser must also purchase a Maryland migratory game bird
17 stamp to hunt migratory game birds and a federal migratory bird hunting and
18 conservation stamp to hunt wild waterfowl with this license. Under no circumstance
19 does this license authorize the purchaser to hunt deer and turkey.

20 (2) Residents may purchase a senior hunting license beginning in the
21 calendar year in which they attain the age of 65.

22 (3) A nonresident of any age must purchase either a nonresident
23 hunting license or a nonresident 3-day hunting license to hunt in the State.

24 (4) The fees for hunting licenses are according to the following
25 schedule:

- 26 (i) Resident, junior, under the age of 16 years \$ 10.50
- 27 (ii) Resident, regular, at least 16 years old and under the age of
28 65 years.....\$ 24.50
- 29 (iii) Resident, senior, at least 65 years old \$ 5.00
- 30 (iv) Nonresident, regular, at least 16 years old.....\$ 130.00
- 31 (v) Nonresident, junior, under the age of 16 years \$ 65.00
- 32 (vi) Complimentary license authorized to be issued under §
33 10-303 of this subtitle..... No fee
- 34 (vii) Nonresident 3-day hunting license \$ 45.00

1 (5) The fees for individual hunting stamps are according to the
2 following schedule:

- 3 (i) Bow and arrow stamp..... \$ 6.00
- 4 (ii) Nonresident bow and arrow stamp \$ 25.00
- 5 (iii) Black powder stamp..... \$ 6.00
- 6 (iv) Nonresident black powder stamp..... \$ 25.00
- 7 (v) Maryland migratory game bird stamp..... \$ 9.00
- 8 (vi) Resident bonus antlered deer stamp..... \$ 10.00
- 9 (vii) Nonresident bonus antlered deer stamp for each type of deer
10 hunting season.....\$ 25

11 (6) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT REQUIRE A PERSON WHO HOLDS
12 A LICENSE OR PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS TITLE TO
13 HUNT DEER WITH A BOW AND ARROW DURING BOW HUNTING SEASON TO OBTAIN
14 A SEPARATE LICENSE OR PERMIT TO HUNT DEER WITH A CROSSBOW DURING
15 BOW HUNTING SEASON.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2010.